FISCAL NOTE

SB 294 - HB 1065

April 9, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Amends current law to state that law enforcement personnel cannot be held liable for injuries to a third party injured by a fleeing suspect, if the law enforcement personnel have probable cause to believe the suspect is guilty of driving while intoxicated, or has committed or is going to commit a felony offense. The bill also amends the Criminal Injuries Compensation Act to allow compensation to a victim of an accident caused by a vehicle driven or occupied by a person fleeing pursuit by a law enforcement officer.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Less Than \$100,000 Decrease Local Gov't Expenditures - Less than \$100,000

Enactment of this bill could potentially increase claims against the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund, however such claims can only be brought if it is determined that an officer did not have probable cause to pursue a suspected violator..

Enactment of this bill may result in fewer law suits and court judgments against municipal and county governments.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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